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An act relating to the Vermont spaying and neutering program

The Senate proposes to the House to amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 1. 20 V.S.A. § 3815(a) is amended to read:

(a) ~~The agency of human services~~ Agency of Human Services shall administer a dog, cat, and wolf-hybrid spaying and neutering program providing reduced-cost spaying and neutering services and presurgical immunization for dogs, cats, and wolf-hybrids owned or cared for by ~~low income~~ individuals with low income. ~~The agency~~ Agency shall implement the program through an agreement with a qualified organization ~~consistent with the applicable administrative rules, except that the Agency may implement the program if the Commissioner determines that there is no qualified organization capable of implementing the program based on review of overall program success, financial resources of the organization, viability of the organization, or the organization's prior performance in implementing the program.~~

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.